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Amendment

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed 10/04/2005 in regard to the above-identified patent application. Enclosed is a check for \$130.00 as payment for a terminal disclaimer fee. Please charge deposit account 50-1924 for any fee deficiency.

Claims 9-12, 14-28 and 43 were rejected under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claims 1-23 of U.S. Patent No. 6,601,997 B2 and other cited art. Attached is a terminal disclaimer and a check for the terminal disclaimer fee. The examiner is requested to reconsider these rejections.

Claims 29, 31-33, 35 and 38 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Beard et al. (US 5,317,663) in view of Estrella et al. (US 6,695,485 B1). Claims 36 and 37 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable

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